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The Honorable Bob Stump Chairman Committee on Armed Services United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman

As a direct result of destruction of part of the Pentagon by the terrorist act on September 11, 2001, approximately 4,241 Defense personnel were relocated to space leased by the General Services Administration and assigned to the Department of Defense. Specifically, 2,267 Department of the Army personnel were relocated to 252,000 square feet of space in the Zachary Taylor Building, 2531 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia; 1,334 Department of the Navy personnel were relocated to 143,000 square feet of space in the James Polk Building located at 2521 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia; 194 Department of the Air Force personnel were relocated to 43,000 square feet of space at Crystal Park 1, 2011 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Virginia; and 446 Office of the Secretary of Defense personnel were relocated to 25,000 square feet of space at 1401 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia. A large number of these personnel have returned or are programmed to return to the damaged sections of the Pentagon in 2003 upon the completion of the rebuilding of wedges 1 and 2.

I have reviewed this action in light of Section 8021 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2002, Public Law 106-259, and certify that the actions described in this letter were in the best interest of the Government.

Sincerely,

cc:

The Honorable Ike Skelton Ranking Member

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON

